

**FUNCTIONAL SAFETY ENGINEER
CERTIFICATION COURSE
Exercise Solutions**

The following slides are arranged by practical number
and consist of question items followed by answer items.

Practical exercise no: 1

Fault trees

This practical exercise requires attendees to construct a fault tree diagram using the basic principles introduced in module 3.

It uses an example of a simple reactor with automatically controlled feeds that has the potential to cause a serious risk to plant personnel. Once the basic fault tree has been drawn, the model is to be adjusted to incorporate a safety-instrumented system and to demonstrate the resulting risk reduction.

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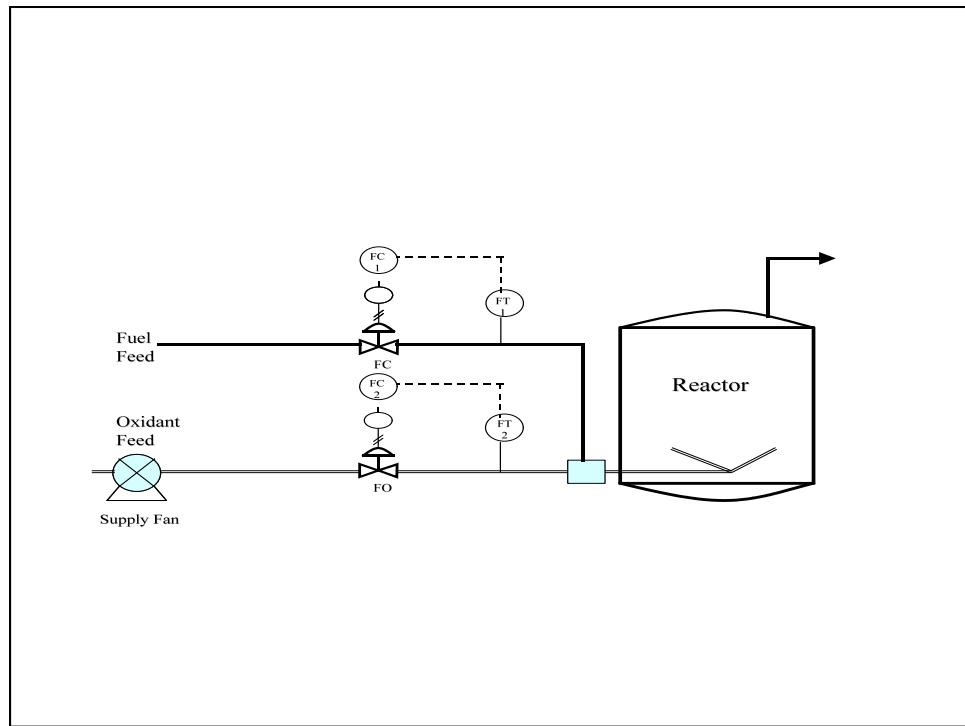
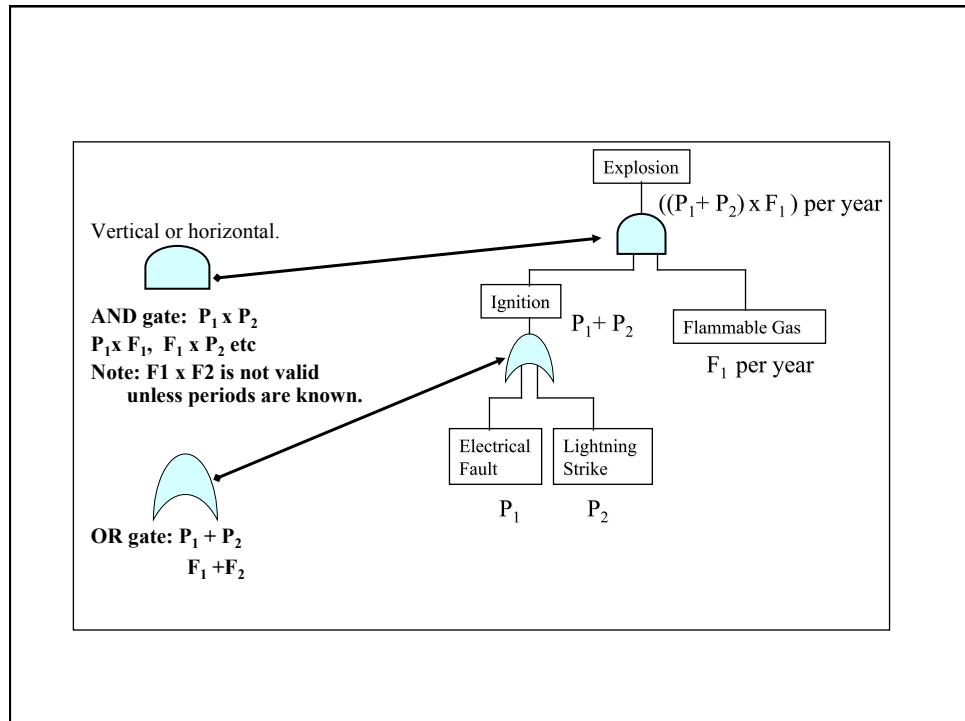
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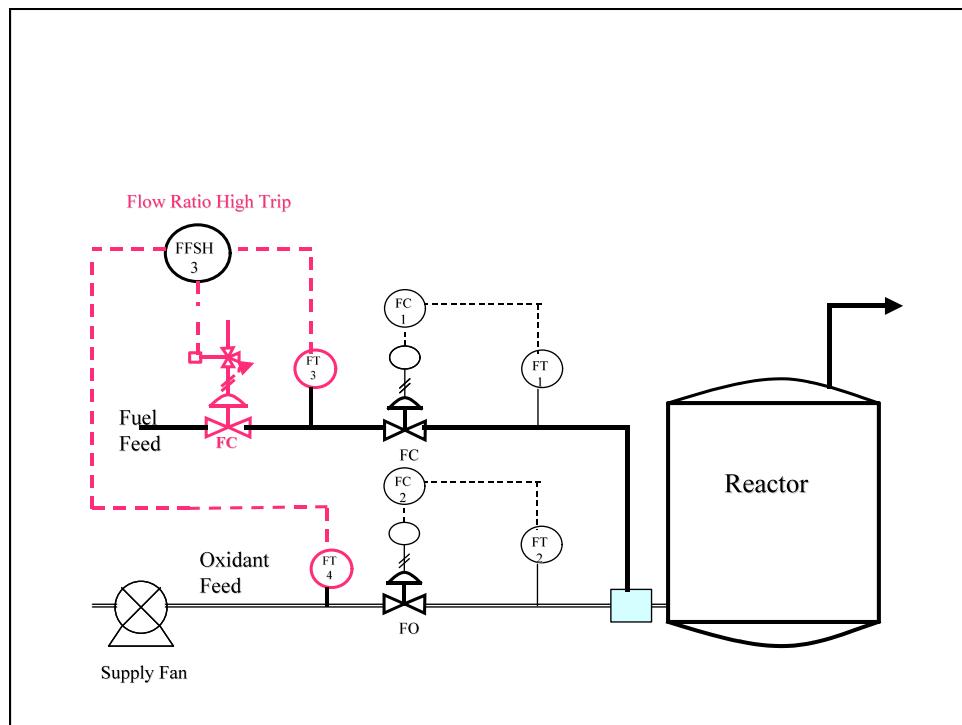
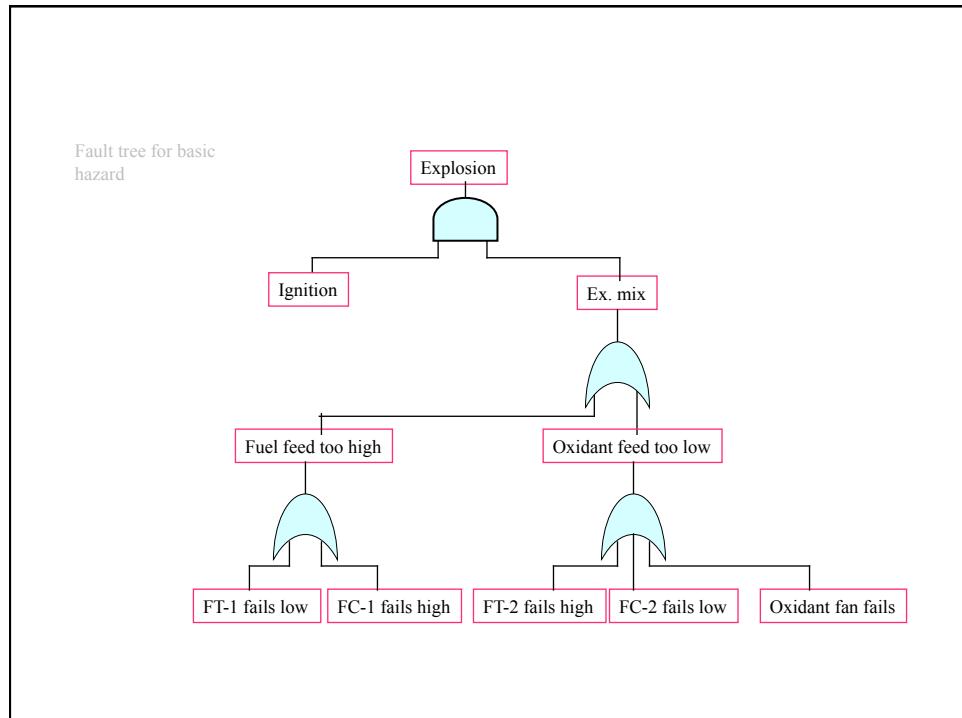
A SIS is proposed with a separate set of flow meters connected to a flow ratio measuring function that is designed to trip the process to safe condition if the fuel flow exceeds the oxidant flow by a significant amount

The tag number for this SIF is FFSH- 03

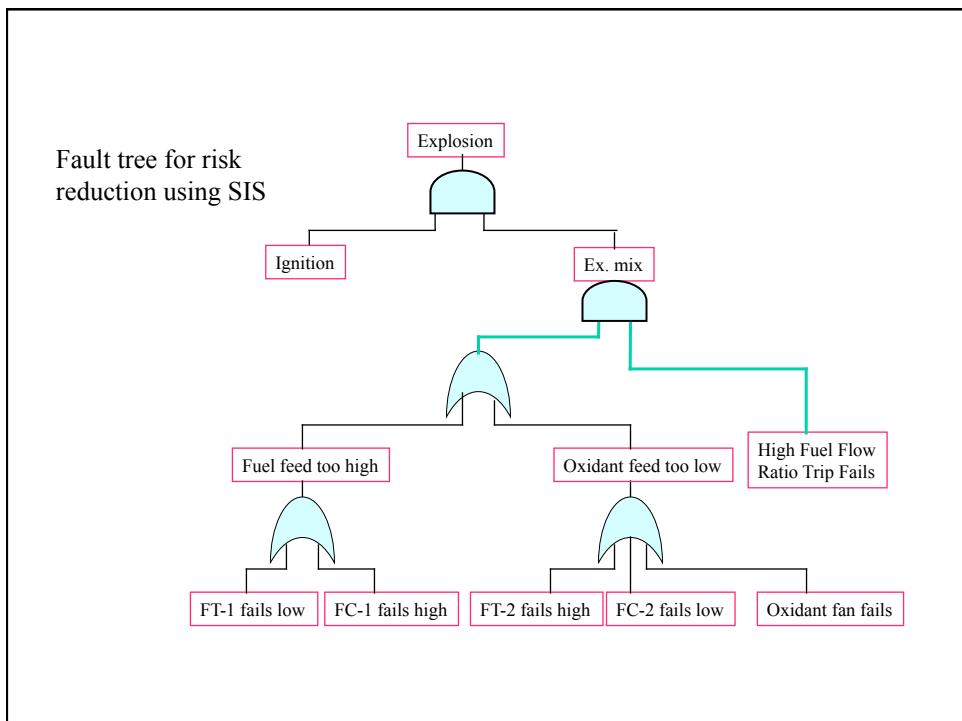
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Exercise No: 2 – SIL Verification

Task 1 Calculate the single channel PFDavg and spurious trip rate for the high temperature trip example. Draw a single channel reliability block diagram and calculate using the failure rates in the table the PFDavg and the spurious trip rate for each sub system and the overall system using a proof testing interval of 6 months.

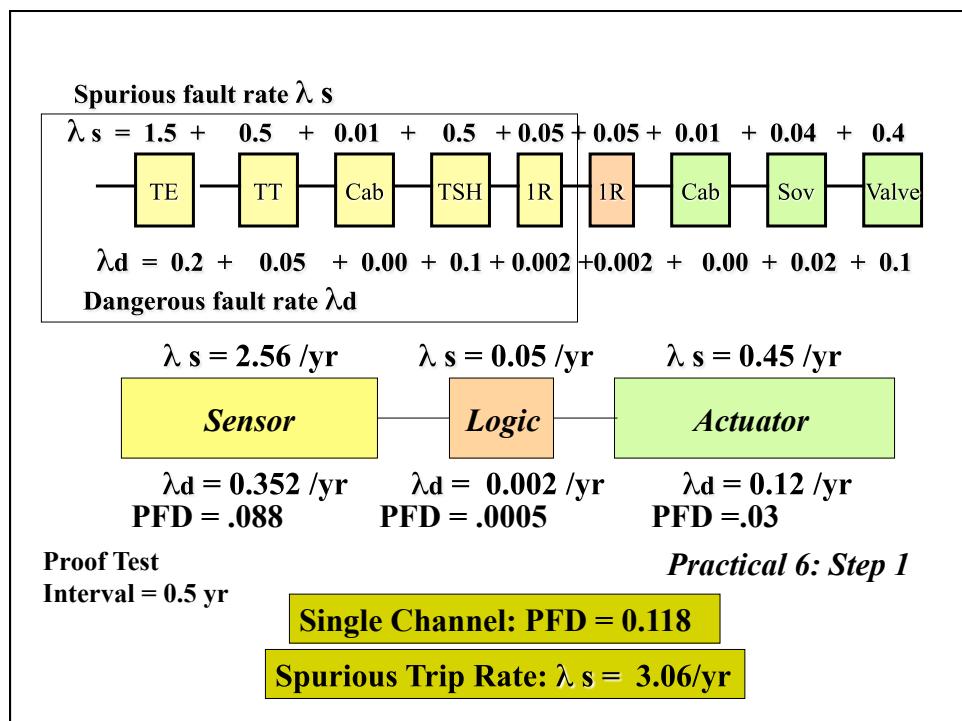
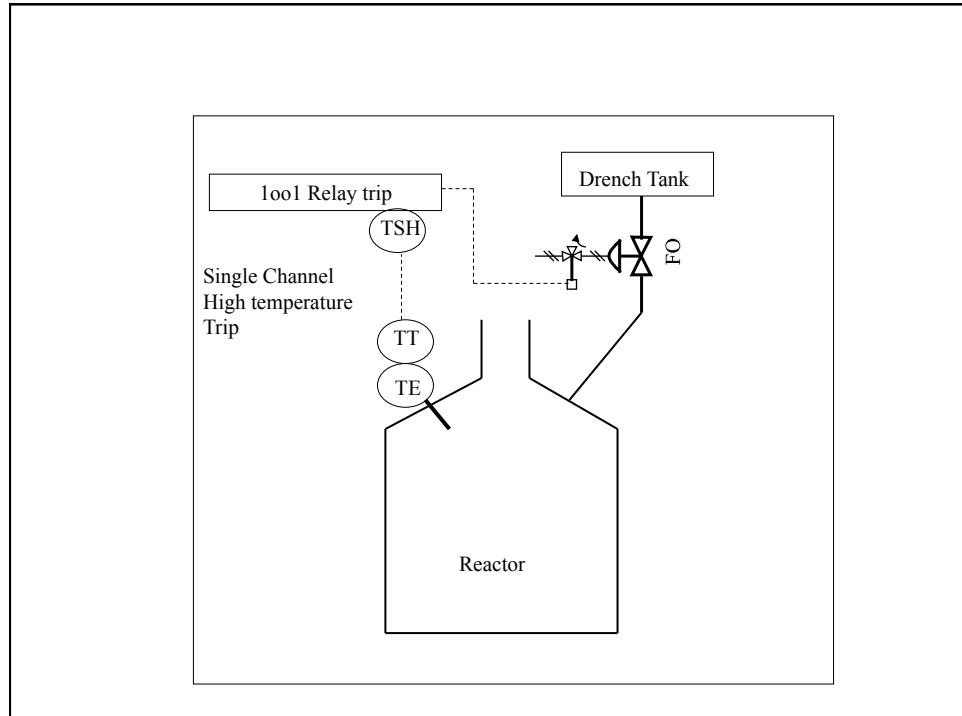
Assume the system uses 2 relays, 1 relay in the sensor subsystem and 1 relay in the logic solver subsystem. The trip actuation uses a solenoid valve and to vent the air cylinder on a valve that will drive open and release quench water into the reactor.

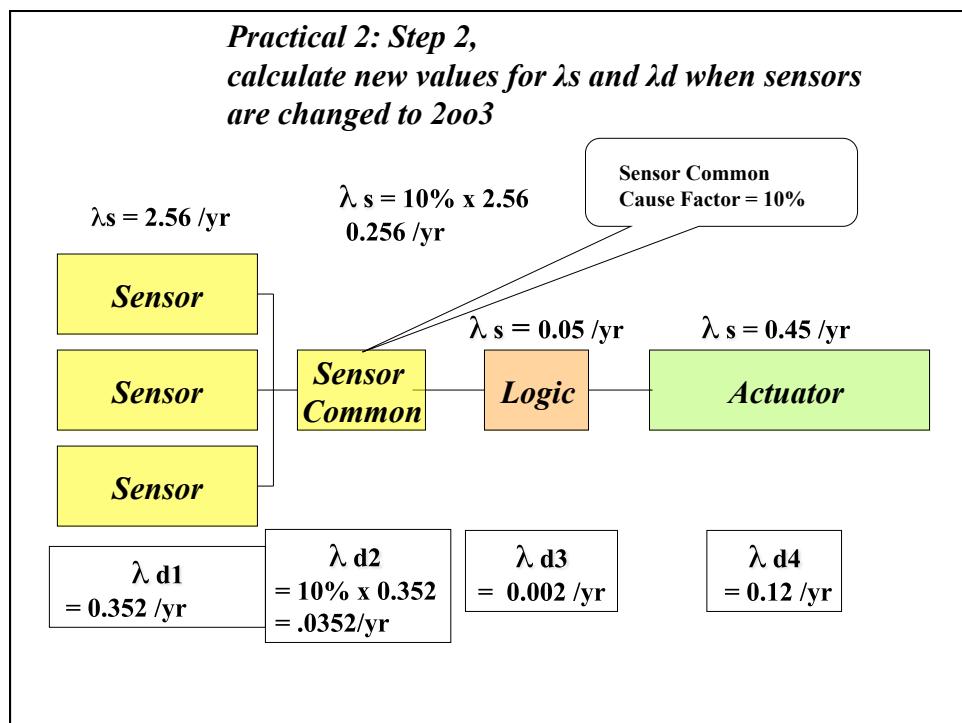
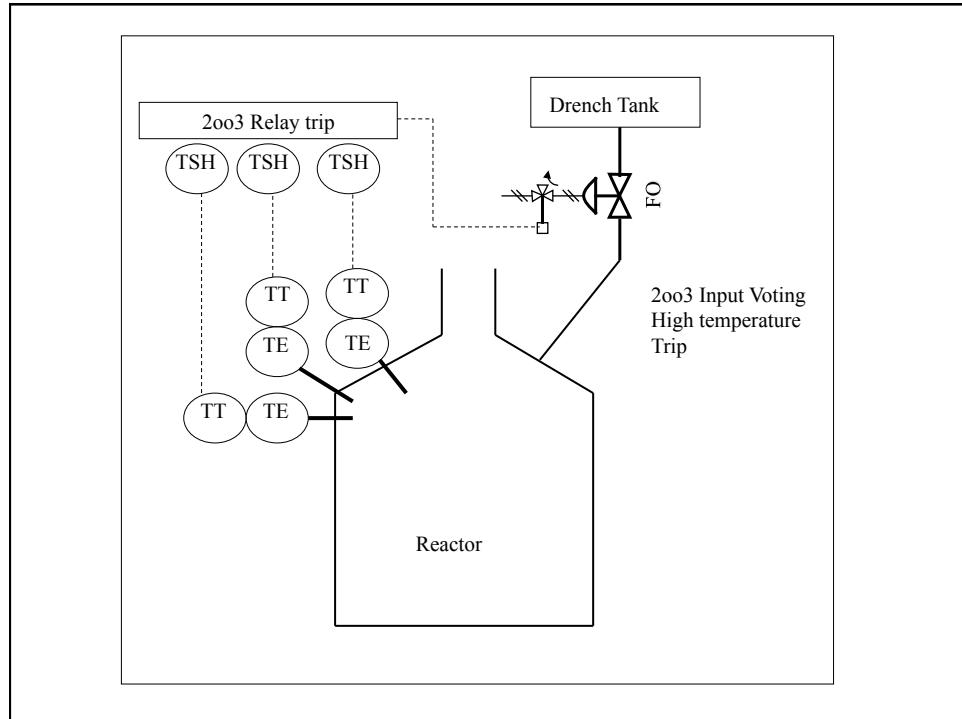
Task 2: Recalculate the PFDavg and spurious trip rate for the SIF using the second diagram showing 3 high temperature transmitters on a reactor configured 2oo3 on the basis of proof testing every 6 months, Beta Factor 10% and MTTR of 24 hours.

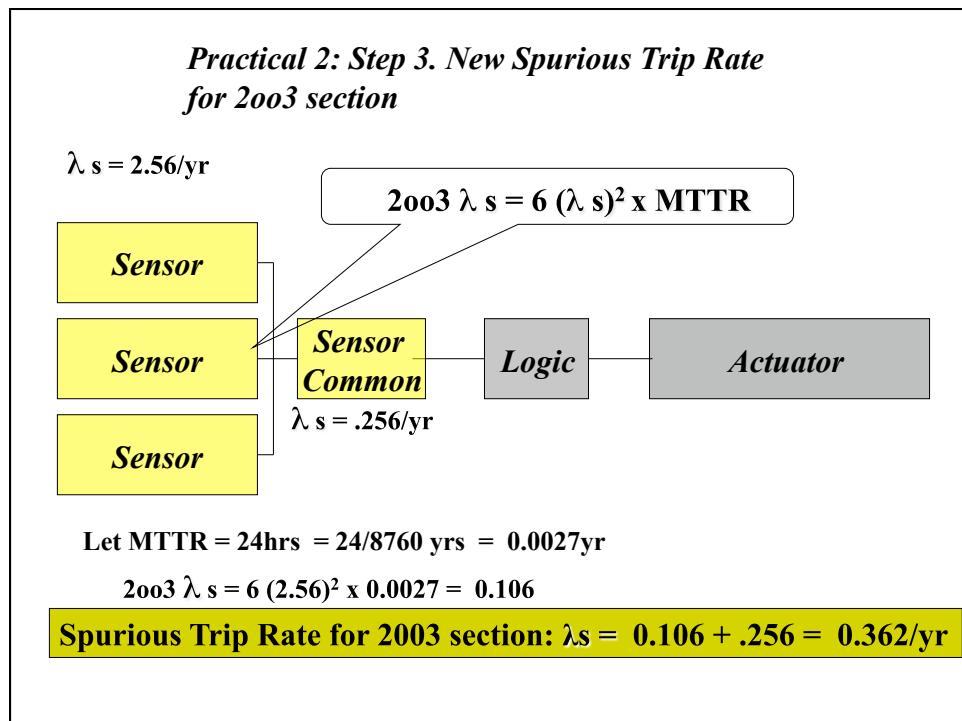
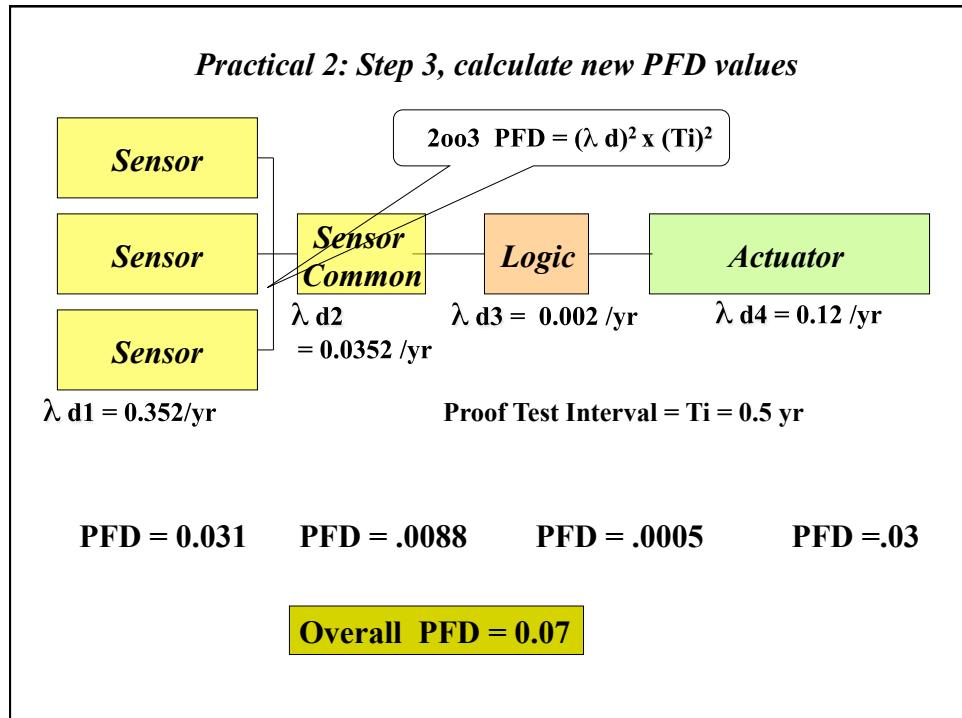
The 3 temperature transmitters each transmit to a trip amplifier device that acts as a high temperature trip device leading to a single channel actuation as in task 1

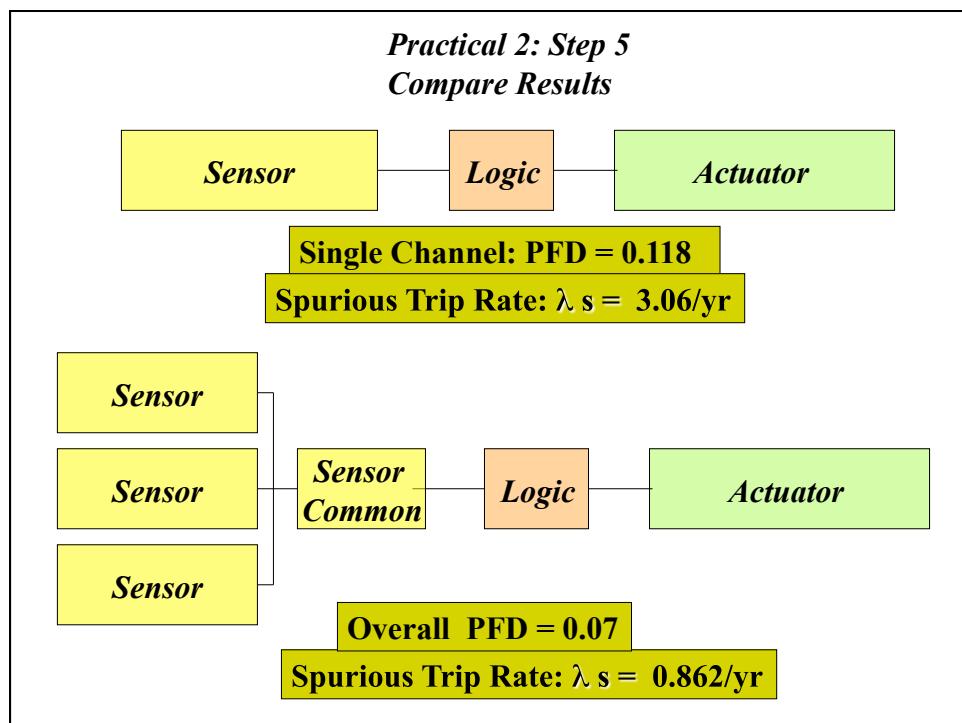
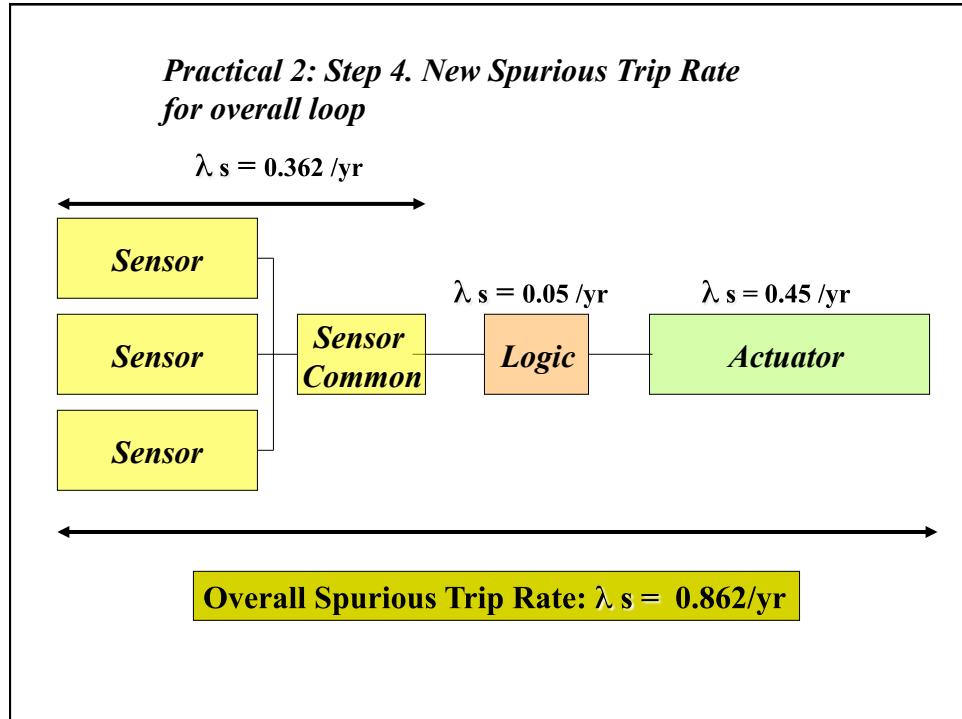
Table of fault rates for the Devices

Channel Device	Fail-safe rate per year	Fail –danger rate per year
TE...element	1.5	0.20
TT .Transmitter	0.5	0.05
Cable/terminals	0.01	0.00
TSH....trip amplifier/switch	0.5	0.1
Relay (each)	0.05	0.002
Solenoid Valve	0.04	0.02
Trip Valve	0.4	0.1









Exercise No: 3 - Determination of SIL by Risk Graph

This practical exercise requires participants to determine the required SIL of a proposed safety-instrumented system using the basic principles and risk graphs and calibration parameters for safety, environment and asset loss described in this module

The process is a reactor with a continuous feed of fuel and oxidant. Two flow control loops are operated under a ratio controller set by the operator to provide matching flows of fuel and oxidant to the reactor. An explosive mixture can occur within the reactor if the fuel flow becomes too high relative to the oxidant flow.

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Assume that the following information has been decided for the reactor.

The total frequency of the events leading to an explosive mixture is approximately once every ten years.

The consequence of the explosion has been determined to be a vessel rupture causing death or serious injury to 1 person

The occupancy in the exposed area is less than 10% of the time and is not related to the condition of the process.

The onset of the event is likely to be fast with a worst-case time of 10 minutes between loss of oxidant and the possible explosion.

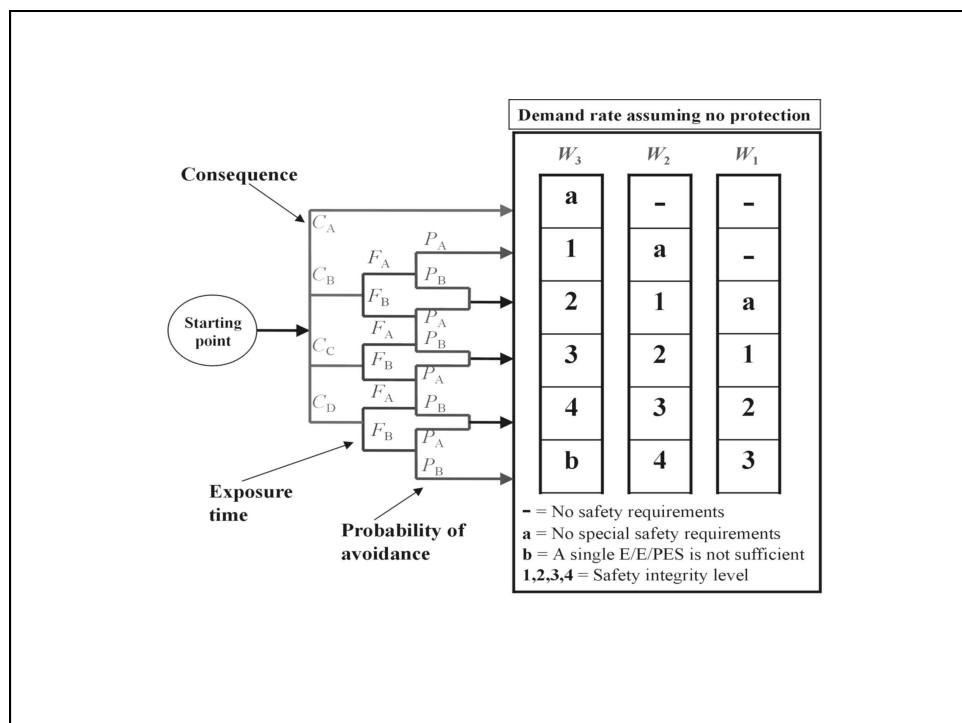
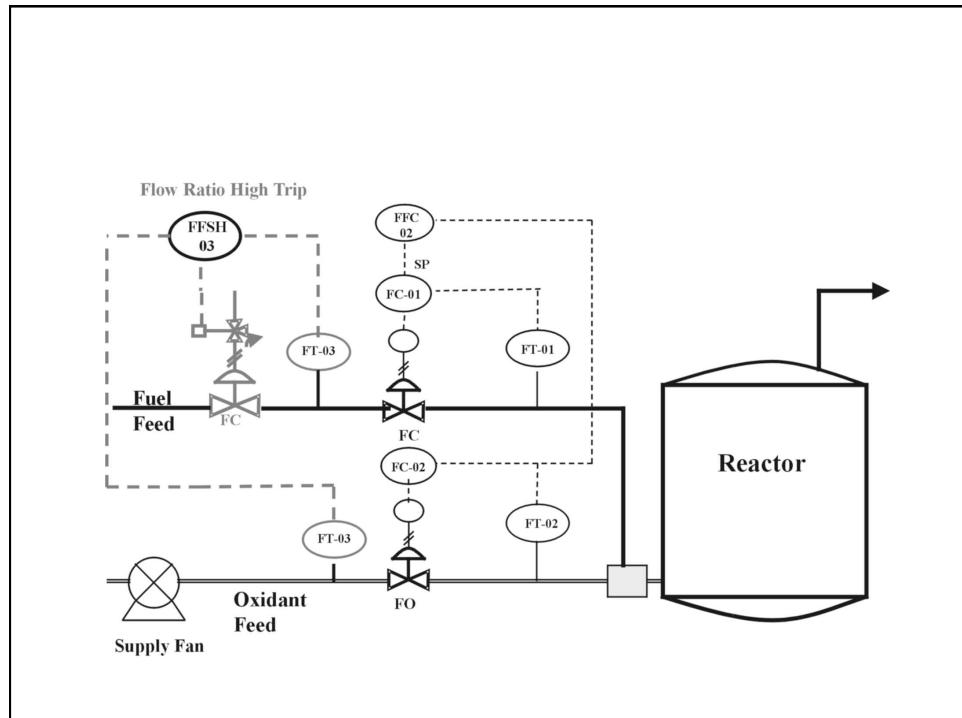
The material released from an explosion is not harmful to the environment.

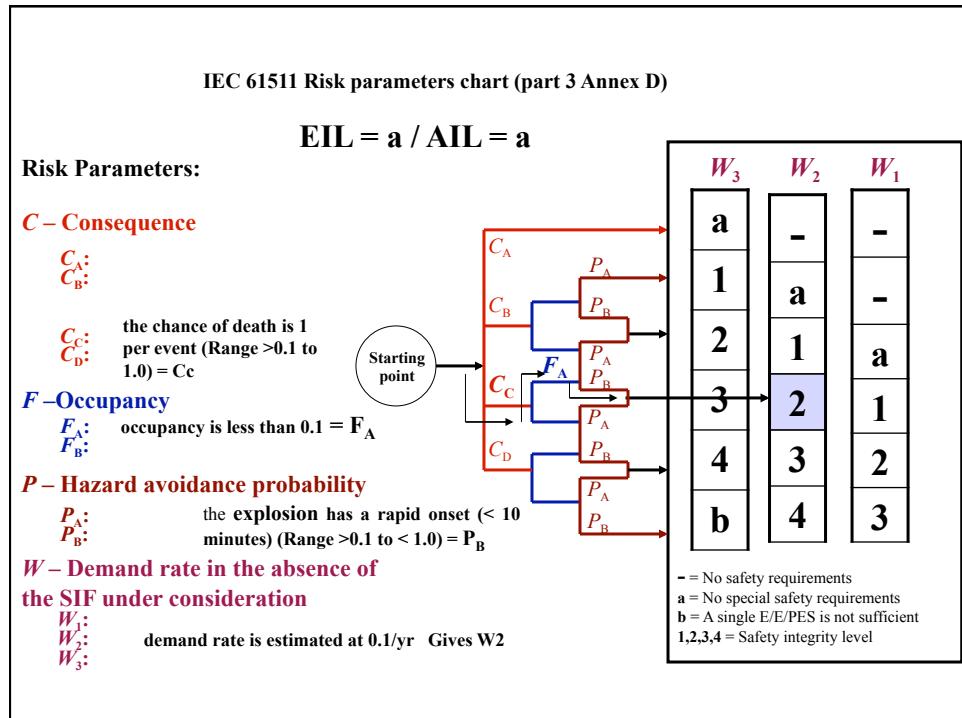
The reactor will cost in excess of £250, 000 to replace.

Determine the target SIL, EIL and AIL

Determine the overall target integrity for the SIF

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Exercise No: 4 - Determination of SIL by LOPA

This practical exercise requires participants to determine the required SIL of a proposed SIS using the basic principles and LOPA parameters described in this module

Liquid is transferred manually to a holding tank before delivery to the plant, the operator must stop the pump at 75% Tank Level.

A Tank Over pressurisation hazard has been identified by the HAZOP team, two causes have been identified:

- Operator fails to stop pump : 0.1 per year
- Level Control Failure: 0.1 per year

Determine the required target SIL for personnel safety of the High Pressure Vent SIF to Flare

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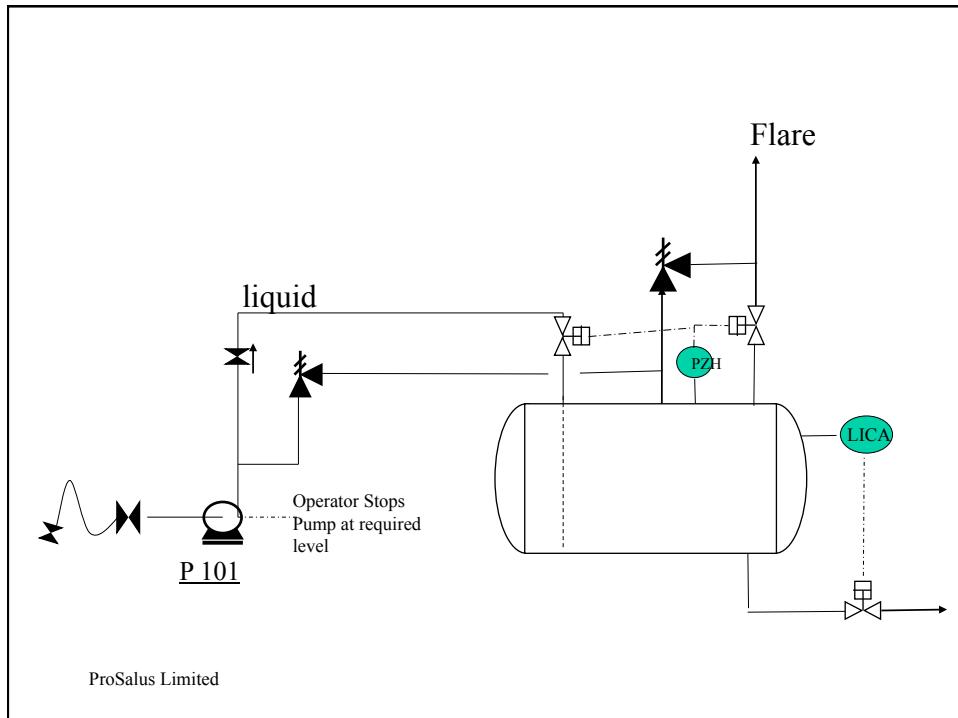
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The tolerable risk for the hazard is 1.0E-05

The Holding tank has a relief valve installed which is sized for full flow and vented to Flare

The process design is not considered to be fit for purpose

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LOPA Worksheet				
	1	Impact Event		Overpressure of Tank
Likelihood are event/year and protection are PFD Average	2	Severity Level	S	S
	3	Initiating Cause	Operator Error	LC failure
	4	Initiation Likelihood	0.1	0.1
Protection & Mitigation Layers		General Design	1	1
	5	Control System	0.1	1
		Independent Alarm	1	1
	6	Additional Mitigation, Relief Valve	0.01	0.01
	7	Additional Mitigation, Closed Drain	1	1
	8	Intermediate Event Likelihood	1.0E-04	1.0E-03
	9	Total Mitigated Event Frequency	1.1E-03	
	10	PFDavg required	1.0E-05/1.1E-03 = 9.1E-03 (SIL2)	
	11	Tolerable Mitigated Event Likelihood	1.0E-05	
	11	Notes		

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